

Local Items

All About Our Town And Its People

Mrs. E. Smith of Lakeview and Mrs. Hattie Dickerson of Greenville spent a couple of days at the home of Mrs. Mary Robinson.

City Attorney L. H. Hubbell returned Sunday evening from a business trip to Butte, Montana.

Miss Frances Harlan returned on Friday from a five weeks' visit at the home of her aunt, Mrs. L. B. Osterhout.

Born, Sept. 6, to Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Kidd, of Cincinnati, O., a son, who will visit with his name of Thomas J. Under Tom is wearing a broad smile. Mrs. Kidd will be remembered as Miss Edith Sheets of this city.

H. H. Bennett of Flushing returned home Monday morning after having spent Saturday night and Sunday at the home of his mother, Mrs. W. H. Bennett and with his sister. His coming was a very pleasant surprise to his mother.

Mrs. Mary Currie and grandson, Clement Duby and granddaughter, Miss Theo Duby, returned to their homes at Tawas City, Monday morning after having visited at the home of the former's daughter, Mrs. Robert Olds and with friends in this city.

Mrs. Fred Reimer left here Monday morning for Tawas City, where she will visit with her mother for a time.

Chas. C. Briggs left here Monday morning for a short trip to Edmore.

Will Murray, of Six Lakes, returned home Monday morning after a short visit at the home of his brother, Deputy Sheriff Charles Murray.

Will Bowles and wife, who have been here visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Bowles, a few weeks, left Thursday morning for Racine, Wis., where they expect to reside.

Floyd Grimm returned to his work at Grand Rapids Thursday after a short visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Grimm.

Chas. Friedman, son of Abe Friedman, who is now stationed at the Great Lakes naval training station, came home Friday evening for a short furlough visit at the home of his parents. Charles is looking fine and says that the life is just what he likes and that he is anxious to get started ramming submarines.

Charles Chadwick of the M. A. C. training detachment at Lansing, came home Saturday evening for an over Sunday visit at his home in this city.

Mat Jonas of the M. A. C. training detachment at Lansing, came home Saturday evening for an over Sunday visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Jonas. He returned with Charles Chadwick Sunday evening in the Chadwick car.

Mrs. E. C. Lloyd and son, Elvon, Jr., were Grand Rapids visitors Saturday.

Our old friend, neighbor and boyhood chum, "Corporal" William Hough, who deserted the old military haunts and his home in this city several years ago when his home was broken up through the death of his life companion and who for the past year has been living in Chicago, with his daughters, the Misses Iola and Cecelia Hough, dropped off the train Thursday noon, having come from Middleton, where he had been visiting a daughter, Mrs. Bruce Allen, a short time and began to shake hands with his many friends and kept this up until Saturday morning when he left for Vicksburg to visit at the home of another daughter, Mrs. Frank Abinet, before returning to Chicago. The corporal looks just as well as he ever did and perhaps a little better. He is feeling mighty frisky and says that the hot blood which used to rise in him through the battles which he fought in the Civil war, becomes mighty warm now when he reads the war news and that if he would accept him now he would be very glad to go and help settle the German people's business.

Miss Mildred Colby and Miss Larretta Lambert of Sparta returned home Saturday morning after visiting at the home of Mrs. A. C. Shaw since Monday.

James Riker made a business trip to Grand Rapids Monday.

Mrs. Edgar Stanton went to Grand Rapids Monday morning to attend to some business matters for the day.

Asher B. Shaw of Crystal returned home Saturday after having spent a short time visiting his grandmother, Mrs. A. C. Shaw.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Bradford were Labor day guests of Mrs. A. C. Shaw. Mr. and Mrs. Julius Petersen and children were the over Saturday night and Sunday guests of Mrs. Kate Ritterstorf and daughter, Mary. Mrs. Petersen will be remembered as Miss Maria Mortensen and formerly resided here and has many friends who will remember her by her maiden name. They drove down on Saturday and returned Monday morning so as to observe the gasless Sunday rule.

Fred (China) Salyer, one of the local boys who left here with an early contingent for Camp Custer, leaving off the morning train from Greenville Monday and shook hands with a few friends who were at the station while the train was waiting. He has been in the hospital most of the time while he has been in the service.

Peter Wack, a long time resident of this city and the Brink neighborhood in particular, left here Monday morning for Peoria, Ill., where he will visit at the homes of his sisters until next spring and perhaps longer. Peter is a well known character around here and says the winters of Michigan are getting to be too strong for him of late and that he proposes to go where he will be well taken care of during the cold weather.

Will Rushford and Lyle Fox went to Grand Rapids Monday morning.

Mrs. Alice Murray and two children of Lowell returned home Monday morning after spending a short time at the home of her sister, Mrs. Chester Gardner and family.

Mrs. Fay Hoppough and little daughter left here Monday morning for McCords, where she will visit her mother for a short time.

Instead of neglecting your hair and growing bald, use Parisian Sage daily and see how quickly it stops the hair falling out and cures dandruff and itching scalp. Wortley & French guarantee it.—Advertisement.

"H. C. H.", "Liberty" and "Black Seal" cigars will please you. Try them.—Adv.

OAKFIELD

Everyone is very thankful for the nice rain and cool weather. Although the rain came too late to be of much benefit to late crops.

Mrs. J. Deal is very poorly at this writing. Mrs. Geo. Sawyer is better and able to be around the house.

Miss Hazel Havens returned to Rockford Saturday evening after visiting a week with her grandmother, Mrs. S. A. Havens.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Ellis came up from Rockford last Saturday and visited until Monday morning with their daughter, Mrs. Tom Jones and family. The summer heat and glare is past, and twilight calm descends;

And with the sweetness in the air, a hint of cool night blends; The labor of the day is done and rest and peace await.

Knowledge is the key to success.

BRINK

Mrs. Besise Headworth of Grattan and Mrs. Milo Towne visited Mrs. D. Guye last week Tuesday.

Miss Neva King of Detroit is visiting her aunt, Mrs. L. C. Devendorf and other relatives this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wiley visited Mr. and Mrs. Will Cobb Sunday.

Mrs. Fred Reichert and son, Clifton and Mrs. McPhee and Raymond visited Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Leach on Friday.

Geo. Wiley and W. E. Leach were callers at M. L. Howe's Sunday morning.

Miss Lucy Balcom visited her friend Saturday and wheeled me around in the yard and to the barn and did several favors for Mrs. Howe which she thanks her for.

Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. Albert Towne visited Mr. and Mrs. Milo Towne Sunday.

W. E. Leach and Jim Young attended the fair Thursday.

Edgar Killborn visited Mr. and Mrs. Emory Chickering Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hite Eckert visited Mr. and Mrs. Al. Meade Sunday and found him improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Brink and Mr. and Mrs. Ivo King were callers at Mrs. L. C. Devendorf's Sunday afternoon.

Raymond Tubbs of Cleveland, O., visited Mr. and Mrs. Emory Chickering Thursday and Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Chickering and daughter, Helen June visited Mr. and Mrs. Ross Chickering Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivo King and his sister, Miss Neva King of Detroit called on Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wiley Sunday evening.

Fourteen members of the Chickering reunion visited Mr. and Mrs. Emory Chickering Tuesday evening as some of the parties had to start home to Cleveland, O., next day.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Donaldson of Brink visited Mr. and Mrs. Sam Headworth Sunday.

M. L. Howe fell from a ladder in a pear tree Monday morning and was badly shaken up and so lame he can't get around. We hope he will soon be himself. Again trouble never comes singly.

Mrs. Howe wishes to thank the Orleans L. T. L. children for the benefit drill which the put on under the supervision of Mrs. Wilson Purdy at her home recently and it was an oversight that Mrs. Howe did not mention this last week.

Grattan Grange Notice.

Grattan grange will not have its next regular meeting in two weeks as usual, but owing to the fair the time will be extended one week so all remember next regular meeting will be Thursday evening, Sept. 6. Please all come prepared to tell about "My day at the fair."

Honored With Party.

A gathering of people was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Frost, at Smyrna, last Wednesday evening to bid farewell to their son, Maurice, who left for Uncle Sam's service at Syracuse, N. Y., on Friday. Everybody had a good time and all wished Maurice Godspeed and good luck.

Monthly report of the city clerk for the month of August, 1918.

Contingent Fund	
Balance on hand August 1, 1918	\$13,841.59
Received for fines	7.00
Received for licenses and weighing	75.52
Paid orders No. 11450 to No. 11476	710.57
Balance on hand Sept. 1, 1918	13,213.59
Street Fund	
Balance on hand August 1, 1918	132.98
Received for junk sold	20.49
Paid orders No. 7122 to No. 7138	325.07
Balance on hand Sept. 1, 1918 (over)	171.60
Cement Walk	
Balance on hand August 1, 1918	657.49
Paid orders No. 319 to No. 325	386.07
Balance on hand Sept. 1, 1918	271.42
Operating Water Works	
Balance on hand August 1, 1918	761.78
Received for water rent	253.40
Paid orders No. 6482 to No. 6492	400.22
Balance on hand Sept. 1, 1918	614.96
Water Works Extension	
Balance on hand August 1, 1918	1,368.87
Received for supplies	.85
Paid orders No. 1485 to No. 1492	73.26
Balance on hand Sept. 1, 1918	1,296.46
Street Light	
Balance on hand August 1, 1918	4,360.20
Paid orders No. 251 to No. 252	400.55
Balance on hand Sept. 1, 1918	3,959.65
Fire Fund	
Balance on hand August 1, 1918	6,190.89
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Park Fund	
Balance on hand August 1, 1918	456.78
Paid orders No. 346 to No. 347	69.50
Balance on hand Sept. 1, 1918	387.28
Sinking Fund	
Balance on hand August 1, 1918	13,206.19
Paid orders No. 14 to No. 15	400.00
Balance on hand Sept. 1, 1918	12,806.19
General Sewer Fund	
Balance on hand August 1, 1918	722.98
Received for supplies	9.35
Paid orders No. 277 to No. 278	13.90
Balance on hand Sept. 1, 1918	718.33
River Ridge Fund	
Balance on hand August 1, 1918	59.99
Received for lot	10.00
Paid orders No. 43 to No. 46	54.02
Balance on hand Sept. 1, 1918	25.97
Public Library Fund	
Balance on hand August 1, 1918	1,549.66
Paid orders No. 174 to No. 181	797.21
Balance on hand Sept. 1, 1918	752.45
School Library	
Balance on hand August 1, 1918	217.95
Received for county treasurer	125.58
Received from dog tax	32.00
Balance on hand Sept. 1, 1918	375.53
School Fund	
Received for county treasurer	6,311.79
Balance on hand Sept. 1, 1918	6,311.79

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

(Official.)

Council Chambers, Sept. 8, 1918. Council called to order by Mayor Fales. Roll call. Present: Ald. Arnold, Shawley, Hollenbeck, Purdy, Friedly, McCue—5. Absent—0.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Clerk's, treasurer's and health officer's reports were read. Moved by Ald. Hollenbeck, seconded by Ald. McCue, that the foregoing reports be accepted, published and placed on file in the clerk's office. Yeas—Ald. Arnold, Shawley, Hollenbeck, Purdy, Friedly, McCue—5. Nays—0.

Moved by Ald. Hollenbeck, seconded by Ald. Shawley, after this date the city hall be let to no person for entertainment without the mayor's consent. Yeas—Ald. Arnold, Shawley, Hollenbeck, Purdy, Friedly, McCue—5. Nays—0.

Moved by Ald. Hollenbeck, seconded by Ald. Friedly, that the night watchman be reimbursed twenty-seven dollars and seventy-five cents (\$27.75) the amount of his uniform. Yeas—Ald. Arnold, Shawley, Hollenbeck, Purdy, Friedly, McCue—5. Nays—0.

City officers' salary, August: James Meghinley, marshal, \$70.00; Leonard McPherson, night watch, 75.00; E. W. Little, health officer, 50.00; L. H. Hubbell, city attorney, 35.00; F. E. Conant, city clerk, 66.96; G. O. Bignell, hospital rent, 22.50; P. F. Curtis, weighmaster, 5 weeks, 45.00; E. E. Cook, city hall janitor, 5 weeks, 135.00; Mary S. Barnes, librarian, 45.00; W. D. Pond, janitor at library, 45.00; P. A. Frederick, supt. water works, 110.00; Ben Neve, utility, 82.00; E. J. Oberlin, day engineer, 82.00; Chas. Johnson, night engineer, 75.00; William H. Kennedy park marshal, 65.00.

Primary election expenses: Mrs. Chas. Brown, rent, 5.00; Miss Carrie Holmes, rent, 4.00; Inspectors of election: John W. Moore, 4.00; Geo. A. Mumby, 4.00; Mark Leetch, 4.00; E. S. Sagendorf, 4.00; Eli Kendall, 4.00.

Gate keepers: George Barton, 2.00; W. H. Eckler, 2.00. Service on election board: W. B. Travis, 4.00; Chas. Madden, 4.00; J. B. Essex, 4.00; Harry Dimmick, 4.00; Clifton Green, 2.00; Hiram Miner, 2.00; M. Y. Gephart, 2.00; B. C. Curtis, 4.00; Lysander Pickard, gate keeper, 2.00.

Services on election board: Harrison Parker, 4.00; Theodore Blasen, 4.00; Walter R. Menke, 4.00; E. S. Chase, 2.00; J. M. Trimble, gate keeper, 2.00.

Street bills: Steve Bostwick, labor, 51.00; Murray & Co., livery, 2.82; G. W. Kingsbury, groceries, 2.78.

Hospital bills: Services for city poor, 16.50; E. Chapple Co., supplies, .50; T. Frank Ireland Co., supplies, 399.11; Belding Coal & Ice Co., fuel, 150.91; Byron L. Smith, plants for city park, .40; Standard Oil Co., supplies, 23.80; Citizens Telephone Co., toll, .20; Belding Savings Bank, interest on bonds, 400.00; Spencer Light Co., city hall, street, 401.55.

Street bills: Belding Coal & Ice Co., supplies, 10.40; Bert Castle, hauling gravel, 8.25; Sidewalk bills: Belding Lumber Co., supplies, 3.81; Two Johns, labor, 190.55.

Cemetery bills: McLean Bros., labor, 1.50; Wm. E. Smith, labor, 43.17; City Library bills: Spencer Electric Co., 4.03; Belding Coal & Ice Co., supplies, 652.20; Belding Land & Improvement Co., supplies, 7.25; F. W. Arnold, supplies, 1.25.

Monthly report of the city treasurer for the month of August, 1918: Paid clerk's orders: Contingent fund, \$772.12; Street fund, 337.22; Street lighting fund, 399.11; Extension water works fund, 73.26; Fire fund, 18.75; Street lighting fund, 400.55; Park fund, 134.50; Public library fund, 776.72.

Monthly report of the health officer to the common council of the city of Belding for the month of August, 1918: Number of complaints of nuisances 14; no cause for complaint, 0; nuisances ordered removed, 14; number removed, 14; inspections made, 19.

Classification of nuisance complaints: Filthy barns, 1; filthy privies to remove, 2; garbage receptacles, 3; manure, to remove, 5; miscellaneous, 2. Two cases quarantined for smallpox, 16 days; four cases itch reported, quarantined; one injured horse ordered to be cared for.

Number of cases of contagious disease reported: Measles, 1; one fracture reduced; mumps, 1; gonorrhea, 2; number houses fumigated, 1; number calls made, city poor, 3; number office calls, city poor, 6; specimens sp. ta for tubercle bacilli, 1.

Two salvarsan treatments for syphilis; two Wassermann tests for syphilis. Respectfully submitted, E. W. Little, Health Officer.

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Moved by Ald. Friedly, seconded by Ald. Purdy, that the city bills be allowed and the clerk authorized to draw orders for same. Yeas—Ald. Arnold, Shawley, Hollenbeck, Purdy, 0.

Friedly, McCue. Yeas—6. Nays—0. Water Works bills: Spencer Electric Light Co., 4.44; A. M. Simmons & Co., supplies, 3.00; Ames & Unger, supplies, 3.00; Mr. L. Peterson, labor, 7.50; J. M. Langston, garage rent, 3.00; P. A. Frederick, supplies, 2.61; D. H. Bricker, supplies, 4.30; Pete Johnson, labor, 14.40; Joe Tower, labor, 23.70.

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